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On January 13, Emboff demarched the Director of the Ministry of Environment's Climate Change office Andrea Garcia to request that the GOC officially support the Copenhagen Accord by the January 31 deadline. Garcia confirmed that Colombia will do so, but that it is not ready to submit a list of its mitigation goals and targets yet as the GOC is still evaluating that issue internally. Garcia also mentioned that Australian officials had contacted the GOC to request that it send a representative to unofficial meetings in New York next week to further discuss the Accord and to consolidate support for it. Garcia will be traveling as the GOC representative to those meetings, which will include senior negotiators from island nations. Ministry of Foreign Affairs North America Director Adriana Maldonado and Director of Economic, Environmental, and Social Issues Yadir Salazar were also informed of the demarche. Salazar added that Colombia's U.N. representatives have been in informal meetings this week with Special Envoy Todd Stern and representatives from other countries to further discuss the Accord.

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